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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE
The De Smet News		Nov. 11, 2004
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE
weekly	52	$ 25 & $32

4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)

220 Calumet Ave., De Smet, Kingsbury County, SD 57231-0069

5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers)

P.O. Box 69, De Smet, SD 57231-0069

6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: Dale Blegen

7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.

FULL NAME	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS
Blegen Publishing, Inc.	P.O. Box 69, De Smet, SD 57231

8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.

None

9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	1,700	1,700
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.	325	325
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	1,014	1,030
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	1,339	1,365
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION 1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS	20	20
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES	3	3
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)	1,362	1,388
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED 1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	238	212
2. Return from News Agents	100	100
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 – Should equal net press run shown in A)	1,700	1,700

Statement must be signed by Publisher, Business Manager, or Owner in the presence of a Notary Public
I swear that the statements made by me are true, correct, and complete:

Dale Blegen
(Signature)

Publisher
(Title)

State of South Dakota)
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County of Kingsbury)

Sworn to before me this 11th day of November, 2004

Marie Langeland
Notary Public

(Seal)

My commission expires: 6-6-08

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